

REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group III (e.g., drawn to an image forming system, classified in class 430, subclass 122 as defined by claims 12-15), without traverse. Applicants reserve the opportunity to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected invention later.

Further, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's acknowledgment of the priority document filed on September 11, 2003.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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